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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

JOE D. BROWN

SERIAL NO.: 10/680,426

GROUP ART UNIT: 3735

FILED: October 8, 2003

EXAMINER: A. Farah

FOR: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CAUSING
DEFLECTION OF A SURGICAL INSTRUMENT

ATTY. REFERENCE: BROW3007/BEU

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for:

One Month Three Months
 Two Months Four Months
 Five Months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$510.

Fee enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension of time to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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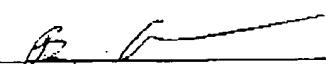
Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.
A verified small entity statement has been filed. is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

Response and RCE Notice of Appeal Appeal Brief

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Respectfully submitted,


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